

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 647 – HB 1083

March 3, 2018

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes community corrections officers who hold a valid Tennessee handgun permit to carry a handgun at all times and in all places in Tennessee while in the course of employment and engaged in the actual discharge of official duties. Creates an exception when specified under federal law, lawful orders of court, or the written directives of the executive supervisor of the employing agency.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (011821): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes community corrections officers, in certain counties, who hold a valid Tennessee handgun permit, to carry a handgun at all times and in all places in Tennessee while in the course of employment and engaged in the actual discharge of official duties. Creates an exception when specified under federal law or lawful orders of court.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- It is reasonably assumed that the proposed legislation as amended will not apply in areas where federal law prohibits corrections officers to carry handguns in any location that would jeopardize any federal funding.
- The Department of Correction (DOC) reports 144 community corrections officers are employed in Tennessee, none of which are DOC employees.
- Based on information provided by DOC, the Department would not be required to provide any evaluations, weapons, holsters, duty belts, lockboxes, training, or ammunition to community corrections officers. It is assumed that all firearm costs would be incurred by the individual community corrections officer if the individual chooses to carry a firearm.

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- The provisions of the legislation are not expected to impact handgun carry permit applications or renewals.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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